## Pharm-PAC Agency Liaison Report Indian Health Service National Pharmacy Council May 2008 Submitted by CDR Bradley Bishop

- The IHS Principal Pharmacy Consultant selection should be announced soon.
- The IHS Southwest Regional Pharmacy Continuing Education Seminar (the "Quad") June 6 - 8, 2008; Chaparral Suites Hotel, 5001 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85258
  - O The annual meeting of Indian Health Service pharmacists, technicians, and pharmacists from tribally operated programs, this seminar provides up to 15 hours of ACPE approved pharmacy continuing education credit. Hosted by the IHS Phoenix, Navajo, Tucson, Albuquerque, the target audience is made up of pharmacists and technicians working in Indian health system clinics and hospitals.
  - O Registration is now available online: <u>http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/ClinicalSupportCenter/training.cfm</u>
  - O A great opportunity leading into the 2008 Commissioned Officers Training and Symposium in Tucson!
- The Pharmacy Practice Training Program: a program in patient-oriented practice (PPTP) July 14 17 and August 4 7, 2008; Chaparral Suites Hotel, 5001 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85258
  - O The goal of this four-day training program for pharmacists employed by the Indian Health Service or Indian health programs is to improve the participant's ability to deliver direct patient care. This program encompasses the management of patient care functions in the areas of consultation, communication, interviewing techniques, laboratory test interpretation, conflict resolution, physical assessment and disease state management. The course is made up of case studies which include role playing and discussion and provides 27 hours of pharmacy continuing education.
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